**Symbols**

Symbols are objects, characters, figures, or colors used to represent abstract ideas or concepts.

**High Heels**

For Catherine, high heels are a symbol of womanhood and flirting.

-Eddie does not like Catherine to wear the high heels because it shows that she is

growing up and will leave the house.

-she is growing up and doesn’t need Eddie

**Brooklyn Bridge**The Brooklyn Bridge is a link between American and Italian cultures

If a person stands on the Brooklyn Bridge, they can see the entire community.

**Alfieri**

Alfieri is the person who connects American culture and laws with Italian culture and tradtions.

-The Brooklyn Bridge is very close to Red Hook and can look over the entire

neighborhood.

-As the narrator, Alfieri can look over everything that has happened and explain how it

affects the people in the community.

**Italy**

Most of the people who live in Red Hook are from Italy so Italy represents homeland.

Catherine = Italy is beautiful, full of love and mysterious

Rodolpho = Italy is home but no opportunities

All of the characters love their new home in America but still feel strongly about being

Italian. The community comes together.